



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hidekazu KOBAYASHI

Application No.: 09/925,324

Filed: August 10, 2001

For: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING ORGANIC EL DEVICE, ORGANIC EL  
DEVICE, AND ELECTRONIC APPARATUS

Group Art Unit: 2879

Examiner: G. Zimmerman

Docket No.: 110371

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the March 3, 2003 Restriction Requirement, Applicant provisionally elects Group II, claims 6 and 7, as well as new claims 8-18 added in the Preliminary Amendment filed concurrent with this Response, drawn to an organic EL device and electronic apparatus comprising an organic EL device, classified in class 313, subclass 504, with traverse.

It is also respectfully submitted that the subject matter of all claims 1-18 is sufficiently related that a thorough search for the subject matter of any one Group of claims would encompass a search for the subject matter of the remaining claims. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that the search and examination of the entire application could be made without serious burden. See MPEP §803 in which it is stated that "if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions" (emphasis added). It is respectfully submitted that this policy should apply in the present

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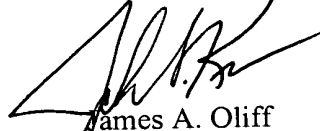
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application in order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to Applicant and duplicative examination by the Patent Office.

Thus, withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Further to the Preliminary Amendment filed on December 20, 2001 and prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 8-18 as follows:

--8. An organic EL device, comprising:

a first electrode connected to a first terminal;

a second electrode;

a light-emitting layer provided between the first and the second electrode, in

which a through hole is provided;

a second terminal, at least a part of which faces to the second electrode via the through hole; and

a conductive material filled in the through hole and electrically connecting the second electrode and the second terminal.

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